[Sh. Sharad Pawar]

However, I feel that such interviews by serving officers are best avoided. I wish he had resisted the temptation.

I would like to recall that our Armed Forces are highly disciplined and have discharged every task assigned to them, since the attainment of Independence, with utmost devotion and loyalty. I would like to take this opportunity of assuring this House that the Armed Forces function entirely under the control of my Ministry.

It has been our tradition to insulate the Armed Forces from controversy. I, therefore, appeal to this august House not to press any further debate on this issue.

16.33 hrs.

(II) Price policy for Rabi Crops of 1991-92 to be marketed in 1992-93 season.

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): Sir, the Government have fixed the Minimum Support Price of Wheat of fair average quality at Rs. 250 per quintal for 1991-92 crop to be marketed in 1992-93 season. This marks an increase of Rs. 25 per quintal over the price of Rs. 225 per quintal fixed for 1990-91 crop.

The Minimum Support Price of Barley of fair average quality has been fixed at Rs. 210 per quintal marking n increase of Rs. 10 per quintal over the price fixed for the 1990-91 crop.

The Minimum Support Price of Gram of fair average quality has been fixed at Rs. 500 per quintal marking an increase of Rs. 50 per quintal over the previous year.

The Minimum Support Price of Rapeseed/Mustard has been fixed at Rs. 6.70 per quintal marking an increase of Rs. 70 per quintal over the previous year.

The Minimum Support Price of Safflower of fair average quality has been fixed at Rs. 640 per quintal marking an increase of Rs. 65 per quintal over the previous year.

The Minimum Support Price of Toria of fair average quality for the marketing year 1992-93 will be fixed by the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation in the light of normal market price differential with respect to repeseed/mustard.

I am confident that the minimum support prices now fixed for different crops for the current marketing season will enthuse farmers to achieve further increases in production and productivity of these crops.

16.34 hrs.

STATUTORY *RE.* SOLUTION RE DISAPPROVAL OF THE COPYRIGHT (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 1991

AND

COPYRIGHT (AMENDMENT) BILL

[*English*]

MR. SPEAKER: The House shall now take up items 16 and 17 together. Shri Lokanath Choudhury. He is not here. Shri Girdhari Lal Bhargava.

[*Translation*]

SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA (Jaipur) : Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to move:

> "That this House disapproves of the Copyright (Amendment) Ordinance, 1991 (Ordinance No. 9 of 1991) prom-